

TURKS ENGAGING IN FURTHER ATROCITIES

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—Not satisfied by the slaughter of hundreds of thousands of Armenians and Syrians, the Turk has also turned against the Greek Christians in his dominions and more than 700,000 have fallen a victim to persecution in the form of death, suffering or deportation. It was declared here today by Frank W. Jackson of this city, chairman of the relief committee for Greeks of Asia Minor. He said the real details of these new Turkish atrocities were just beginning to leak out.

The story of the Greek deportations is not yet generally known," said Mr. Jackson. "Quietly and gradually the same treatment is being meted out to the Greeks as to the Armenians. Although closely guarded, certain echoes of these horrors come out from time to time. There were some two or three million Greeks in Asia Minor at the outbreak of the war in 1914, subject of Turkish rule. According to the latest reliable and authoritative accounts, some seven to eight hundred thousand have been deported, mainly from the coast regions into the interior of Asia Minor. The Greeks of Asia Minor have always been law-abiding and perfectly loyal to the Turkish government. Under Abdul Hamid they were well treated, but his successors adopted a program to crush them. At the declaration of the present

war all persecutions were stopped, but the spring of 1915 brought to the stage a tragic, novel drama unique in the history of the world as to its horrors and destructiveness, that is, the Armenian deportation. Under that innocent name the extermination of a Christian race was started.

"Along with the Armenians most of the Greeks of the Marmora regions and Thrace have been deported on the pretext that they gave information to the enemy. Along the Aegean coast Alvalik stands out as the worst sufferer. According to one report, some 70,000 Greeks there have been deported toward Korea and beyond. At least 7,000 have been slaughtered. The Greek bishop of Alvalik committed suicide in despair.

"The latest account from Trebizond shows the towns along the Black sea are being emptied of their Greek population. From Lyndon S. Crawford, missionary of the American board at Trebizond, we have a letter dated July 24, 1917, in which he says the following order came from Turkish army headquarters at Sheshelhe: 'By 12:25 July let no Greek man over 16 and under 50 be found in Ordu. Send all such on into the interior. As for the families, we will send further orders later.'

"Mr. Crawford also wrote: 'First let us express once more our thankfulness to God for the deliverance He has sent us by the great, grand

Russian army and people. We are more and more appreciating what the Russians have done for this region. Immediately after the Russian occupation of this province in April, 1916, hundreds of Armenians began to come out of their hiding places.'

"From the Greek minister to the United States, George Rousses, I have a letter of September 21, 1917, in which he says: 'Backed by the Germans, the Turks have put into execution and even organized their wildness. They have decided to exterminate the Greek element, which is the most important and most numerous in Asia Minor.'

"Under pretext of necessities of war entire populations have been deported. Members of families have been separated. The old, the men unfit for military service and the women were sent into the interior of the country, abandoned without the slightest help and exposed to all sorts of deprivations. The men fit for military service were taken by force into the army, despite the fact of having paid for exemption. Some of the wealthiest have even been

"led on to pay this exemption fee three times over."

The relief committee for Greeks of Asia Minor, Mr. Jackson said, has been organized for non-political and purely humanitarian purposes and aims at securing means to aid these Greeks reduced by sudden persecutions to a state of want.

BLUE AND GRAY MEET ON FIELD OF BATTLE

(By Associated Press.)
VICKSBURG, Miss., Oct. 17.—Veterans of the '60s, some who wore the blue and some who wore the gray, gathered here today for a four days' reunion on the field where they met in battle more than half a century ago.

Congress made an appropriation of \$150,000 to cover the expense of the reunion, which is held under the direction of the secretary of war "in commemoration of a half century of peace and good fellowship." Legations of ten states, mostly in the North, took official cognizance of the celebration and appropriated

sums aggregating \$200,000 to provide transportation to Vicksburg for the veterans. These states are California, Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Arkansas.

Near the trenches where Union and Confederate armies contested so bitterly in 1863 the camp of the survivors of the famous battle has been pitched. It is located in the National Military park, which is a restoration of the siege lines. The park is about three miles from Vicksburg. It covers more than 1,300 acres and contains thirty-two miles

of splendid driveways. The veterans will be housed during their stay in great tents, the largest of which covers more than 45,000 square feet. Chefs from New Orleans have been brought here to assist in the work of feeding the aged soldiers. Col. W. D. Newbill of the United States army has charge of the arrangements.

During the reunion, which ends Friday, the United States navy and Missouri memorials in the park will be dedicated. Troops representing all branches of the military service have been brought here for the ceremonies.

GERMAN SCHEMES FAIL TO DESTROY COMMERCE

(By Associated Press.)
CHRISTIANIA, Oct. 17.—The German plans for destroying the world's commerce have failed, says the Norwegian Shipping Magazine, which adds that "there is no great danger of the disappearance of merchant ships from the seas by reason of torpedoing for at least ten years."

The article is accompanied by a chart showing the curve of English and French losses for four months, March to June. "The allies have every reason to be of good courage when they look back on these results," says the writer, "and they may await the future U-boat war with confidence. The chart curves show favorable results for England, and this may be ascribed partly to the arming of merchant ships." He believes that the story of 1915-16 will be repeated, that "the U-boats will be crippled unless or until the cen-

tral powers can find new inventions which will make them powerful enough to gain the upper hand again."

Another reason for this favorable result, says the writer, is the fact that when the U-boat war started in March Germany sent out every U-boat she could muster, good, bad and indifferent, and the English defense, which was ready, "reaped a rich harvest and crippled the dangerous enemy for the ensuing months." Failure of the submarine war also is attributed in part to faulty construction of the latest German U-boats.

WILL PROTEST BILL.

(By Associated Press.)
COLUMBIA, Mo., Oct. 17.—President Hull of the University of Missouri has announced that he will

AMERICAN IS KILLED IN A BRUTAL FASHION

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Oct. 17.—A dispatch to the Daily Chronicle says that James Trigor of Roanoke, Va., was killed by shrapnel fired by a German submarine upon open boats from a torpedoed British steamer. A member of the crew in Trigor's boat died of wounds from a shell. Twelve Americans were among the forty-nine survivors.

protest to the Missouri Valley conference against counting the Missouri-Kansas Agricultural game last Saturday as part of the conference series.

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CONSTITUTIONALISTS IN CHINA ARE ACTIVE

(By Associated Press.)
PEKING, Oct. 17.—Constitutionality is the wall behind which contending factions in China are taking refuge. Premier Tuan Chi-jui insists that the republic which he re-established in Peking with Vice-President Feng Kuo-chang at its head, is the constitutional government of China.

The so-called parliament at Canton consisting of fifty or sixty members of the dissolved parliament insists that it is the constitutional government of China, and that Li Yau-hung still is the president.

The "constitutionalists," now active in South China under the direction of Sun Yat-sen, have contested every important change in the cen-

tral government during the last few months, and denounced it as unconstitutional. They say Li Yau-hung had no right to dissolve parliament, and that there certainly is nothing in the Nanking provisional constitution which justified such action.

Consequently, according to their line of reasoning, Feng Kuo-chang is neither the legal president nor the legal acting president of China.

There is some doubt as to what Feng Kuo-chang's own contention is as to his legal status. While he has permitted all foreign relations to be presented to him as president and signs official documents as president, he is represented to provincial authorities as being only act-

ing president. It is believed that Feng Kuo-chang is undoubtedly anxious to be elected president by a parliament legally constituted, or constituted as legally as it is possible to do so under the present unsettled conditions in China. He has held out against the plan of his cabinet to have a national council formed with five members from each province to act as a parliament.

Feng Kuo-chang heads a de facto government which actually exists in Peking, and has the support of nineteen provinces and the recognition of all important foreign powers. Therefore, the efforts of the opposition in the south to oppose the Peking government and deny its legal existence thus far seem futile.

NEW REGULATIONS FOR SAVING LIVES

NORWAY PREPARES FOR SAFETY GUARDS FOR SHIPS IN ZONE OF DANGER.

(By Associated Press.)
CHRISTIANIA, Oct. 17.—New and stringent regulations come into force shortly in regard to life-saving appliances to be used on Norwegian ships traversing the war zones.

Each lifeboat must be half covered over with water-proof cloth as a shelter, and must be provided with oil skins for the crew, with signal lights, a hand pump and ample supplies of bread, meat and water.

Each ship must carry an extra boat of at least 105 cubic feet, and large enough to take the whole crew. This boat must contain air chambers and have a cork belt around it. Either this boat or one of the regular lifeboats must be supplied with a motor, together with fuel for two days and a tow rope.

Passenger boats must have ten cubic feet of lifeboat room for each person on board.

EVIL SPIRITS COME TO HAUNT CHANG HSUN

HEADQUARTERS IN THE FORBIDDEN CITY INFESTED WITH ILL-MANNERED 'GHOSTS.'

(By Associated Press.)
PEKING, Oct. 17.—Since Chang Hsun's overthrow and the defeat of the short-lived monarchy, evil spirits have been reported by superstitious Chinese in the vicinity of Chang Hsun's headquarters in the Forbidden City. They are alleged to be the spirits of Chang Hsun's soldiers who were killed in the bombardment of his headquarters. Every night they are supposed to appear and proclaim loudly, "We were not fairly treated."

In an effort to appease the spirits, priests have been employed to chant before altars erected in the compound formerly occupied by General Chang Hsun, and generous offerings of food are made nightly.

(By Associated Press.)
MEXICO CITY, Oct. 17.—General Manuel Bastas has been named governor of the lower half of Lower California and has left for La Paz to assume his post.

JAPAN TO CONSTRUCT SIX MODERN CRUISERS

(By Associated Press.)
TOKIO, Oct. 17.—The construction of six new destroyers for the purpose of naval repletion at a cost of \$6,000,000 is to be started shortly and the work will be expedited to complete them within the present fiscal year ending April next. The destroyers will all be of middle size and be named the Nara, Kuwa, Tsukaki, Maki, Keyaki and Enoki, respectively.

The building of the following battleships, cruisers and destroyers is to begin soon at the navy dockyards and at shipbuilding yards at Nagasaki:

Battleship Mutsu (Nagato style), with a displacement of 32,000 tons; cruiser Tama, with a displacement of 7,800 tons; cruiser Kuma, with a displacement of 3,500 tons, and first-class destroyers Kawakaze, Minekaze and Sawakaze, each of about 1,200 tons.

The battleship Mutsu will carry the largest and most powerful main gun ever mounted on any battleship of the Japanese navy, and the cruiser Tama will be the largest warship of the kind in the Japanese

navy. The first-class destroyer Kawakaze, which will be one of the largest destroyers in the Japanese navy, is the substitute for the destroyer of the same name which was built in France after the outbreak of the European war and was sold later to an entente power.

Besides these warships a big special service ship with a displacement of 12,000 tons and five submarines, each displacing 700 tons, will be built at the Kure navy dockyard.

NATIONAL COUNCIL.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Oct. 17.—The country's leather manufacturers today created a national council, with headquarters in this city, to deal at first hand with the government bureau handling war supplies. At the request of the bureau, the National Association of Tanners has temporarily loaned to the bureau the services of Dr. J. B. Churchill, the newly appointed director of the American leather research laboratory.

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